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KCPR seeks pledges for new equipment

This week, KCPR is asking for donations to replace decades-old equipment to improve broadcast quality

Elizabeth Engelman
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Cal Poly's radio station is hosting a pledge drive to raise money for new equipment to improve broadcast quality.

KCPR 91.3 FM is a non-profit station run solely by volunteers. The station is set to get a new transmitter in September that would enable broadcasts to reach twice as many people, but there are many other items that are needed.

"Most of the equipment is decades

old," said Meghann Chell, KCPR business director and environmental engineering senior. "The high-quality equipment we do have needs repairs. Hopefully the new transmitter will improve the standing of the station."

Unlike past auctions, people will not have to call in to bid on items. With a donation of \$25 or more, the person's name is entered in a drawing for different prizes. Some of the items include a personal drum lesson from Drum Circuit, and a compellation CD. Donations less than \$25 are accepted as well.

"We made a compellation CD of recordings from show sessions of local bands and others that were passing through town," Chell said.



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The names of the people that donate more than \$25 will be put in a drawing for prizes such as a drum lesson or a KCPR shirt.

KCPR not only plays music, but it is also involved in the production and recording of music. Many bands, including the Night Jerks, record inside the studio. KCPR DJs did all of the mixing on the CD.

Another prize in the drawing is see KCPR, page 2

CSU pushes test on high schoolers

Exam was created to assess how well high school juniors are prepared for English and math college-level classes

Tonya Strickland
MUSTANG DAILY

The California State University has administered a voluntary Early Assessment Program to high school juniors since the spring of 2004; results show proficiency in English and mathematics has not significantly increased.

However, Jack O'Connell, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, said the program is an important tool for high school students' success in college.

"This program is at a national forefront in the movement to better prepare high school students for college level expectations," he said.

According to CSU documents, approximately 150,000 high school juniors completed the English portion, while 115,000 students completed the math portion of the EAP. Among the 33,720 tested, 22 percent were named proficient in English, an assessment which meant they are prepared to take college-level English courses and are exempt from taking a CSU placement test after admission. Of those 63,504 tested in math, 55 percent were determined to be proficient which makes these students eligible for taking college-level math upon enrollment in the CSU.

"These results are further evidence of the need to make our high schools more rigorous and to prepare better our students for success," O'Connell said.

The California State Board of Education and the California Department of Education designed the EAP in a collaborative effort to assess how well students are prepared to take on college-level classes. This way, students know ahead of time how they rate in these areas. If they still need improvement, students have senior year to better their skills for college-level work and potentially enter a CSU more prepared.

Art and design senior Diana Madsen said her high school curriculum did not prepare her for college-level English classes and upon entering the university, she almost failed her first class.

"High schools need to make sure we are at the level that we are supposed to be at when entering college," Madsen said. "Otherwise we are under the impression that we are ready for college-level courses when in reality

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STATE

Campsites may be reduced in Sierra Forest

The Bush administration may cut funds to the U.S. Forest Service's facilities and maintenance budget by 27 percent

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CLOVIS — A recreational report card due out this year on the Sierra National Forest will determine how many of its campsites will survive into future vacations.

The cash-strapped Stanislaus National Forest already shut down several campsites last year, and other national forests may follow suit.

That's because the Bush administration is proposing to cut the U.S. Forest Service's facilities and maintenance budget by 27 percent.

Future cuts will be made based on a 100-point rating system of recreational sites. Use, condition and cost of maintaining a site will affect a facility's rank. A seldom-used, costly facility will earn low ratings and likely be cut first. Ratings will be determined by forest managers.

The Sierra National Forest, a 1.3 million-acre greenbelt northeast of Fresno, will be among the first in the nation to be evaluated. It's the only national forest in California that's expected to have its inventory ratings completed this year. Stanislaus forest officials closed their campsites before determining ratings.

Popular campgrounds and other facilities run by concessionaires will generally earn high ratings because they tend to take little money out of the budget.

Goats climb over Open House



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The Poly Goats display their skill of overcoming large obstacles during the Open House parade on Saturday. Other Open House events included a carnival, rodeo and tractor pull.

Democrats denounce Schwarzenegger

Democrats used their annual convention to attack Arnold Schwarzenegger's government reform proposals

Beth Fouhy
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — California Democrats were in a fighting mood Saturday, using their annual convention to lash out at Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger with an intensity

usually reserved for President Bush.

The Republican governor, whose campaign for a controversial set of government reform proposals has enraged labor unions and other traditionally Democratic constituencies, came under withering attack in a series of speeches by Congressional leaders, state legislators and party activists.

The crowd grew feistier still during a dinner speech by Democratic

National Committee chairman Howard Dean, who echoed an angry complaint by the state's teachers that Schwarzenegger had reneged on a promise to deliver \$2 billion in unanticipated funds to public schools.

"We will say no to Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's attempt to take \$2 billion out of the education budget,"

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KCPR

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five different KCPR shirts. The newest design idea came from former student Carlos Torres, and was created by KCPR stacks manager and computer science senior Steven Lindberg. The shirt shows a man receiving CPR from a woman; the back of the shirt is her calling for help.

"There is no life in radio these days with automated play lists and recorded DJs," Lindberg said. "KCPR is one of the last stations with real heart left in it."

The Palm Theater donated different prizes including six free movies. Owner Jim Dee, 53, of San Luis Obispo, said he hopes the station exceeds its expectations during this fundraiser.

"I lived at KCPR from 1970 to 1975. I was a journalism student at Cal Poly and I think the station is important," Dee said. "We do other promotions with them every week, such as KCPR night when people can get a dollar off by saying the name of the station. We just want to help out."

Journalism senior Katie Glickman and journalism sophomore Mike Heimowitz have a show on KCPR called "Those Two Jews" on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Their show focuses on entertainment news and gossip. Glickman said it is important for the station to raise money because it would make their show easier to do.

"KCPR seems like it is neglected and if we got money it would make things run more smoothly and efficient," Glickman said.

Donations can be made by calling 805-756-5277.

Democrats

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Dean said to cheers. "Governor, keep your promise to the children of California and fund public schools. We don't need any more corrupt Republicans in office in this country."

While many Democrats heaped praise and plaudits on Schwarzenegger as recently as a few months ago, they vowed Saturday to stay united in their efforts to block his agenda.

"The governor has declared war on the state of California," proclaimed Assemblywoman Judy Chu, D-Monterey Park. "He declared war on us, and I declare war on him."

It was an extraordinary reversal of good will toward the celebrity governor, a self-described GOP moderate who until recently was deemed by many observers to be politically indestructible.

Signs of Democratic animus toward Schwarzenegger abounded

throughout the cavernous convention hall, from omnipresent red and white posters declaring "Stop Arnold's Arrogance!" to bobblehead dolls depicting the governor in a pink dress with an automatic rifle strapped to his shoulder.

A slickly produced videotape mocking Schwarzenegger's campaign fund raising and fondness for cigars was played to laughs.

"Voters gave Arnold Schwarzenegger a chance when he became governor, they gave him high ratings and listened to what he had to say," said House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-San Francisco. "Now they see that what they thought they were getting is something quite different."

Meanwhile, two of the Democrats angling to oust Schwarzenegger in 2006, Treasurer Phil Angelides and Controller Steve Westly, took indirect swipes at one another over who has the message and credibility to make the best run.

reached a plateau and therefore new measures need to be taken," he said. "We have high hopes for the EAP and know it will increase proficiency levels of incoming freshmen."

Arroyo Grande High School was the top contributor from public schools to Cal Poly in fall 2003 according to PolyView, a publication of the campus' institutional planning and analysis report.

Their area administrator, Chris Brown said the EAP was first given to juniors last year and took about 15 minutes per subject to complete.

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they are only setting us up for failure."

Less than half of students who entered a CSU in fall 2004 as first-time freshman were competent in both English and math.

David S. Spence, CSU Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer, said in the past three years student aptitude in these subjects has decreased.

"Proficiency in these subjects has

Angelides repeatedly reminded delegates that he had been one of the earliest and most outspoken Schwarzenegger antagonists. It was a gentle but intentional dig at Westly, who campaigned actively at Schwarzenegger's side last year to pass a \$15 billion debt reduction bond measure.

"It's wrong for Democrats to go along for the sake of getting along," Angelides said at a budget "town hall meeting" as Westly sat listening nearby. "It is wrong for us to wring our hands and say, 'hey, the governor's popular, he's a big celebrity, maybe we're the ones who ought to change our ways.'"

For his part, Westly took aim at Angelides's endorsement of tax increases and suggested that Democrats must fashion a more posi-

tive message to attract disenchanted voters.

"We must do more than bash Arnold if we want to win," Westly said. "We've got to get smart about branding, we are the party of innovation, we are the party of accountability, and we are the party of investing in this state's future."

A former eBay executive with a multimillion dollar personal fortune, Westly's entry in the race this week has already shifted the dynamic among the candidates. As Angelides showcased several high-profile supporters, including Sen. Barbara Boxer and Pelosi, Westly spoke of "thinking outside the box" and stressed the need for the party to modernize.

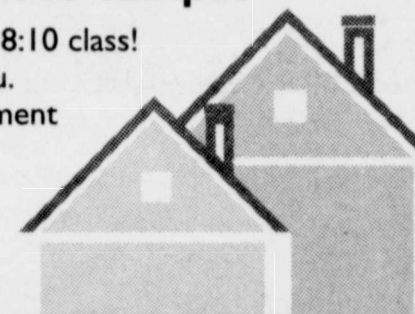
"We have to be the party of jobs, not the party of taxes," Westly told the crowd.

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STATE NEWS

LOS ANGELES — A man delivering the Los Angeles Times was fatally shot early Sunday in an apparent robbery, police said.

Alejo Amador Ortiz, 56, was shot in the face at about 5:45 a.m. while delivering papers in South Los Angeles and died at the scene, said Kristi Sandoval, police spokeswoman.

A car loaded with undelivered

copies of the Times was found near the body, said Sgt. R.L. Johnson.

SANTA BARBARA — Hundreds of students and dozens of professors circulated petitions protesting a decision by Westmont College not to renew the contract of a minority professor.

About a third of the school's 1,300 students asked for the reinstatement of Jonathan Cordero, a

popular sociology professor who also advocated diversity. Cordero helped create courses in ethnic and gender studies, headed the multicultural programs, served as member of the campus Diversity Committee and trained staff and faculty on racial issues.

LOS ANGELES — A private university financed by a Buddhist sect sold its 588-acre land in the

Santa Monica Mountains for \$35 million for development of a public park, officials said Saturday.

The sale by Soka University of America marks a major victory for state officials and environmentalists who have tried for years to acquire the property northwest of Los Angeles. The school will turn over the land in three years after its current students graduate.

—Associated Press

IN OTHER NEWS

PICO RIVERA — It's not easy living on Dork Street — just ask Mario Saucedo.

"I had a resume kicked back because someone thought I was kidding," said Saucedo, who has lived on the street in this suburb about a twelve miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles for eight years.

Ester Avetisian, who moved there 18 years ago, said she might have thought twice if there had been a sign in those days marking the road that is tucked into what is still a semi-rural section of town where people keep goats and chickens in their backyards.

"I didn't know the name until my husband and I were signing (mortgage) papers," Avetisian recalled. "I was pretty shocked when I found out."

Still, most residents say they have learned to grin and bear the dork jokes.

"It's pretty funny," said Clyde Parra, who has lived on Dork Street for eight years. "When I go to cash a check at the store, people ask me if I'm a dork."

There's no record at City Hall explaining how the street got its moniker. It first appeared on a Los Angeles County tract map in 1936.

—Associated Press

NATIONAL NEWS

RUSKIN, Fla. — A registered sex offender confessed to killing a 13-year-old girl who disappeared a week ago, saying he got into an argument with her and choked her to death in her home, the sheriff said Sunday.

David Onstott, 36, was charged with first-degree murder Sunday, a day after investigators found Sarah Lunde's partially-clothed body in an

abandoned fish pond, Hillsborough County Sheriff David Gee said.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — A Providence detective was killed with his own gun at police headquarters Sunday by a suspect who was not handcuffed and managed to get hold of the weapon, the police chief said. The killing of James Allen, a 27-year veteran, came after a series of attacks that raised concerns about the secu-

rity of those who work in the criminal justice system.

Allen, 50, was shot in the detective conference room while questioning Estenban Carpio about the stabbing of an 84-year-old woman who survived the attack, Chief Dean Esserman said. Carpio was not under arrest and had been taken out of handcuffs, he said.

WASHINGTON — Almost 11 million children in developing coun-

tries die before age five, most of them from causes that are preventable in wealthier countries, the World Bank said in a report released Sunday. About 2,000 of these children die in a week, said Francois Bourguignon, the bank's chief economist.

The causes include acute respiratory infection, diarrhea, measles and malaria, according to the report — called World Development Indicators.

—Associated Press

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi security forces raided a town in central Iraq and freed some 15 Shiite families being held hostage on Sunday, an official said, after Sunni militants threatened to kill dozens of captives unless all Shiites left the area. The government said it was trying to resolve the standoff peacefully, while

Shiite lawmakers called for action to stop "terrorist groups from promoting sectarian violence."

VITORIA, Spain — Ruling Basque nationalists pushing for more autonomy from Spain won a key regional election Sunday but fell short of a majority, losing seats as a banned pro-independence party drew unexpectedly high support, according to government figures.

The wealthy three-province region in northern Spain has had broad self-rule for 25 years, and the incumbent president Juan Jose Ibarretxe was seeking enough voter support to pressure Madrid to negotiate on his plan for Basque autonomy bordering on independence.

MOSCOW, Russia — Cosmonauts and astronauts exchanged joyful embraces Sunday and began loading the interna-

tional space station with scientific equipment and fresh vegetables after their successful docking of the Soyuz cargo ship.

A little more than two hours after the 6:20 a.m. linkup, Russian Sergei Krikalev, American John Phillips and Italian Roberto Vittori, who blasted off Friday from the Baikonur cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, met face-to-face with the two men who have spent the past six months aboard the orbiting station.

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Thursday, April 21
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Local band Longview mixes elements of folk, classic rock and reggae to create a style all their own. With a deep respect and understanding for the roots of music, the group hopes to bring back the days when music was more than just a catchy single and a flashy music video.

UU GALLERY

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The UU Gallery presents photographs from India by Cal Poly student Mike Krautter. The Art and Design senior's photographs document his month-long journey through the Asian nation. His work focuses on the beauty that is found in the Indian culture.

The exhibit is on display from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. every Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every Friday, through April 22.

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VOTE 4.20 & 4.21

Rumor:

ASI Student Government officers will be sent on a free vacation if the Referenda pass.

Fact:

The only benefit ASI Officers will receive from a yes vote is the satisfaction of knowing they served the student majority, which asked for improvements to ASI-managed facilities.

Rumor:

ASI has spent more than \$500,000 in mandatory student fees to create campaign materials for the Referenda.

Fact:

ASI has spent approximately \$25,000 on campaign materials, all of which came from (non-student) UU revenue and private donations.

Rumor:

ASI has hired an independent consultant to run the referenda and manipulate student opinion.

Fact:

All campaign materials and messages were developed by ASI students and staff without input from a consultant. All decisions regarding the campaign and materials were approved by student leaders.

Rumor:

ASI pretends to listen to students and then does whatever they want to.

Fact:

ASI Student Government made the decision to hold the Referenda based on information from a survey conducted fall 2004 in which 66% of the student respondents indicated that they would be willing to pay more for improvements to ASI-managed facilities. If student desire had not been so strong, Student Government leaders would not have moved forward with the Referenda.

Rumor:

ASI Student Government leaders want you to vote 'YES' on the upcoming Referenda because they want a pay raise.

Fact:

Student Government leaders support a vote 'YES' on the Referenda because they want students to continue to have a say in the way their facilities and student fees are managed. They believe the majority of students want campus life at Cal Poly to be as excellent as the academic reputation.

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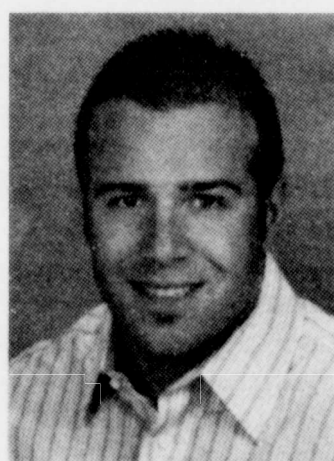
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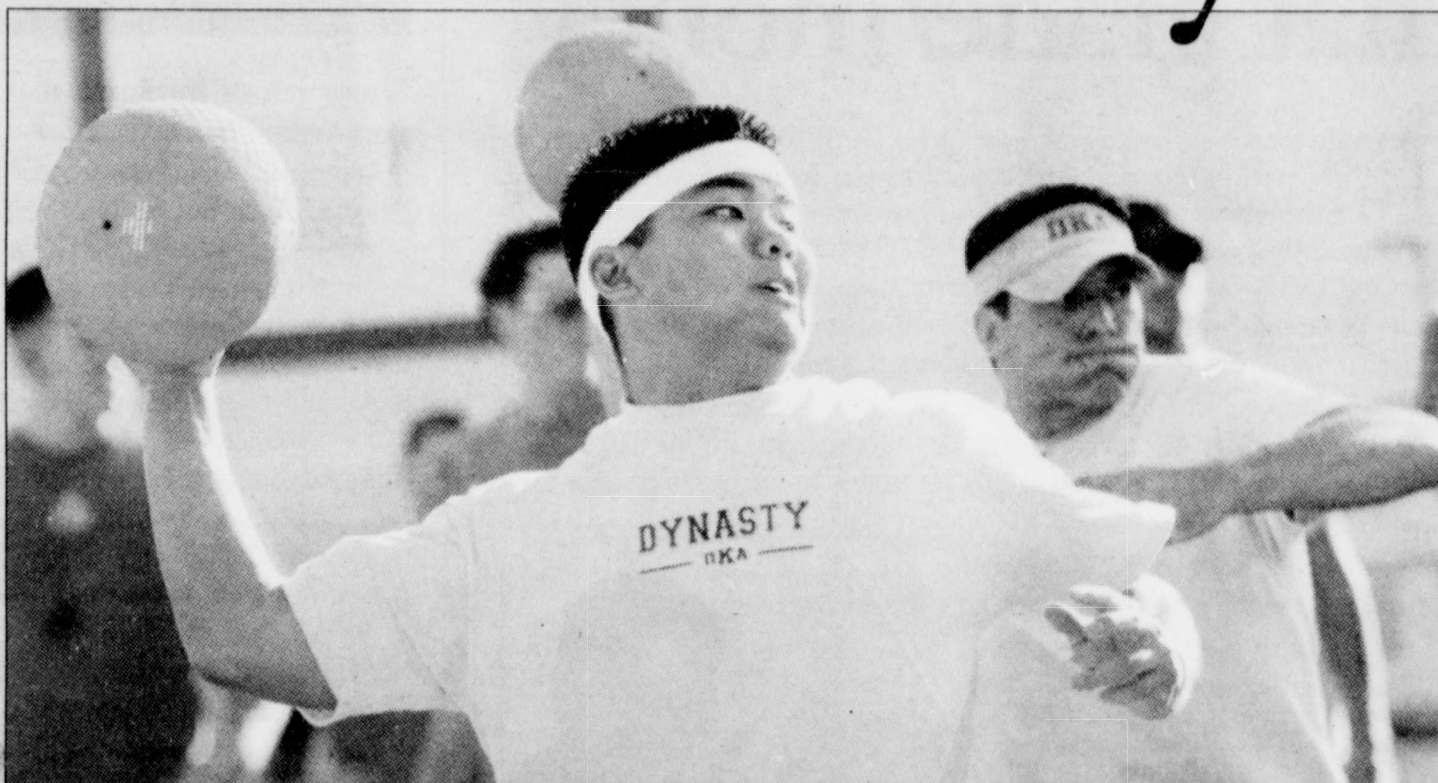


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8:00 a.m.—7:30 p.m.

Education Building (Bldg. 2)
University Union (Bldg. 65)

VOTE

'No way!' I earned that grade/money

There was once an average girl who went to an average American university. She returned home after her freshman year at college enamored with her professor's idealistic vision about redistribution of wealth. For this reason, she informed her father that she would be voting Democrat in the next election.

She was taught that the government should raise taxes on the rich and hand that money out to the poor; the rich people have plenty, and the poor people need it more. It was like the classic story of Robin Hood.

Her conservative father cringed at the thought of his hard-earned money paying for this education, so he asked his daughter a few questions.

"So sweetie, what were your grades like this quarter?"

"All As, I got a 4.0," she replied.

"And your roommate," her father asked, "how did she do?"

"Oh Dad, she ditched a lot and never studied. I think she failed all of her classes," she said.

Her father leaned forward in his chair. "What if the university decided to take two of your grade points and give them to your roommate? That way, you will both get a 2.0 and everything will be fair," he said.

"No way!" she exclaimed. "I worked hard for those As and I earned that 4.0."

Content, her father eased back in his chair and said, "Welcome to the Republican Party!"

I heard this story awhile back and I think it is the perfect illustration of the problems created by redistributing wealth. Republicans believe that hard work and perseverance should be rewarded, not punished.

Grades in school are a way of determining which students have been successful at learning the material. A successful college student has opportunities in the real world to make a living and have a comfortable life, and a slacker will have fewer opportunities.

Similarly, every citizen in this land of opportunity has a chance to make a life for themselves; they just have to work hard.

If this were not so, think about what it would do to the grading policy at a college campus. If all grades were averaged, A students would quit trying. Why work hard and study if you know you will just get a C at the end of the quarter? The overall average would drop until the entire school was failing.

Like it or not, America was founded on competition, and it is that competition that makes us great. The problem with competition is that some people don't succeed and that's who we feel bad for in real life, but not in school.

We can appreciate competition in school but want to neutralize it in the real world, that's why some people talk about redistributing the wealth. A policy like that at a college seems outrageous, but it is similar what liberals argue when they want to raise taxes on the rich.

The rich already pay their fair share when it comes to taxes. This means that the wealthiest 1 percent of citizens pay 37 percent and the richest 10 percent of people pay 67 percent of all income taxes collected by the U.S. government. That means that one-tenth of the people pay the government two-thirds of the taxes.

We need to continue to reject the idea of redistributing wealth and appreciate the competition that makes America great.

Matt Bushman is a civil engineering junior and Mustang Daily columnist.

COMING TOMORROW

The Student Connection with ASI President Blake Bolton

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"If only I could be a black box on the crossword."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Show more initiative if you want to add a class

I find the waitlist feature to be especially nice, but many of you fail to use it to its advantage. If a waitlisted student comes to class each day, he or she will get an e-permit if I have space. He or she will also get preference over students who simply show up for class wanting to add. To those of you who were on my wait lists and did not get in, all I can say is that if you had showed up for class, you probably would have gotten in.

To those of you who showed up on the last day to add, I may choose to let you in, but you are now one week (out of 10) behind and I am not extending any deadlines. You could have come to the first class and the second class, but you chose not to do so. Students on the waitlist, and students who came to class, take precedence over you. Get used to it.

Some chose to simply send me e-mails from all of your addresses to all of mine. The bottom line is that you need to get on the waitlist, and you need to come to the class. I am not going to e-mail you an e-permit sight unseen. Show a bit more initiative if you want to add a class.

Mark Hutchenreuther

Computer science lecturer

Reminder: Vote on the UU referenda this week

Ideally, you should have already decided how you are going to vote Wednesday, but in reality most students do not intuitively recognize April 20 as the first day of voting for the two upcoming student fee referenda.

If this referenda does not have an extremely high number of student votes, then I will be incredibly disappointed with Cal Poly students' apathy. Especially considering the magnitude of the facilities fee which is going to be either

rejected or accepted.

The final result of the facilities fee will be a per quarter fee increase of more than 13 percent of what students currently pay in mandatory fees. This is easily the most important deciding factor for what Cal Poly will look like in five years.

Thus, it is critical we educate ourselves about both fee referenda rapidly approaching and that we all vote on Wednesday, regardless of how we individually decide to vote. Referendum information is available at: www.calpoly.edu/~saffairs/feeref/index.html and at the UU information booth.

I decided how I was going to vote a long time ago, as can be verified by my statement printed in the UU fee referenda's information packet. Let's make a new voting record as we decide what fees to pass or not pass on to future Cal Poly students.

Jay Hann

Mathematics junior

Vote for those who don't yet have a voice on campus

It was easy enough to stand by while Blake Bolton soap-boxed for El Corral, the new registration system and the campus police in the Mustang Daily. It was mildly annoying, but at least it didn't hurt anybody. However, the proposed fee increases are something that will affect us all.

Fee increases start this fall, and by the time this year's incoming freshman graduate, they will be paying well over \$300 more per year. By 2010, students will be paying an additional \$580 per year — and that's just for the UU. Don't forget that tuition hikes will still occur from the state budget.

As for ASI's beloved survey, basic statistics tells us that people who respond to voluntary surveys are much more likely to want change, and therefore it is not representative of the Cal Poly student body. No matter how you voted on the survey, reevaluate the situation and decide what you think is right.

You're not just voting for yourself, you're voting for those don't yet have a voice. Would you have

still come to Cal Poly if you knew you were about to be handed this same financial burden?

Please help preserve high-quality, low-cost education. And remember that next time when you're walking through the UU and hear a hammer or screwdriver off in the distance, it's not the promised renovations, it's just the ASI "tools" hard at work.

Dana Schaa and Jenny Mankin
Computer engineering seniors

Fee increases do not better education or time on campus

ASI is proposing an extreme fee increase to renovate and construct new University Union and Recreation Center facilities on campus. The initiative is touted as a \$21-per-quarter increase of the existing University Union fee.

However, ASI is reluctant to admit that this mandatory campus fee increase will steadily rise to an astounding \$175 over the next five years, and when coupled with inflation and biennial adjustments, the UU fee will total more than \$250 per quarter.

This is on top of the significant tuition increases forced upon us by the state, a student-supported academic fee of \$125 or \$200 per quarter to pay for education expenses formerly paid by the state and sports scholarship fee increases. Each fee initiative has been touted as turning minor costs into big pay-offs. The truth is, having gone to Cal Poly before and after the passage of each fee, there has been no significant difference in the quality of education or time spent on campus.

Unfortunately, Cal Poly is slowly eroding its reputation for providing quality education at affordable prices. This reputation will be further tarnished by these fees to the construction of profit-generating enterprises, such as a juice bar at the Recreation Center and chain fast-food restaurants.

I encourage everyone to say no by voting against the University Union fee increase.

David Davenport

City and regional planning senior

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Corner

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A. — I majored in child development with a minor in psychology and I'm working on my master's in educational leadership and administration.

Q. — Do you feel that the team has become stronger as the year progresses?

A. — Both the boys and girls teams have.

You look at the year, and you have improved in different areas that will not show up on your win-loss record, but it helps for the following years.

The record is not important; it is developing the players as people.

Golf

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recently selected as a member of the 2005 USA Japan team and is currently ranked seventh in the Golfstat Cup averaging 70.8 strokes per round this season, said the team is feeling confident on its chances of victory in the upcoming championship.

"We've played well in every tournament we've played. There's only been one round in the tournament that killed us," Bertoni said.

Bertoni said that the toughest challenge for him is balancing school and golf. He said that missing class frequently and catching up on schoolwork has been particularly challenging.

In preparation for the conference, Bertoni says he and his teammates have been practicing just as hard as they did all year and he is confident that the team has what it takes for a championship victory.

"What it all comes down to is that it's just between you and the golf course," Bertoni said.

Softball

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Allen replaced her in the third inning and eventually took the win.

Cal Poly's Chelsy Stoufer hit a double deep into the outfield, scoring the Mustangs their second run of the day. But two innings

later, Brittany Hyams hit a double that scored three Tigers increasing Pacific's lead by three runs.

Not to be silenced, Mustang Chelsy Stoufer's triple soared over the center fielder's reach scoring a run. Stoufer later scored on a sac fly.

By the end of the game, the Cal Poly pitching staff allowed 16 hits.

The Mustang offense only mustered up four hits.

Cal Poly's softball coach would not give a statement after the first game, but Brian Kolze, head coach of Pacific's team, was pleased with his teams' pitching.

"Our pitching didn't start very strong," Kolze said. "But it certainly finished the game for us."

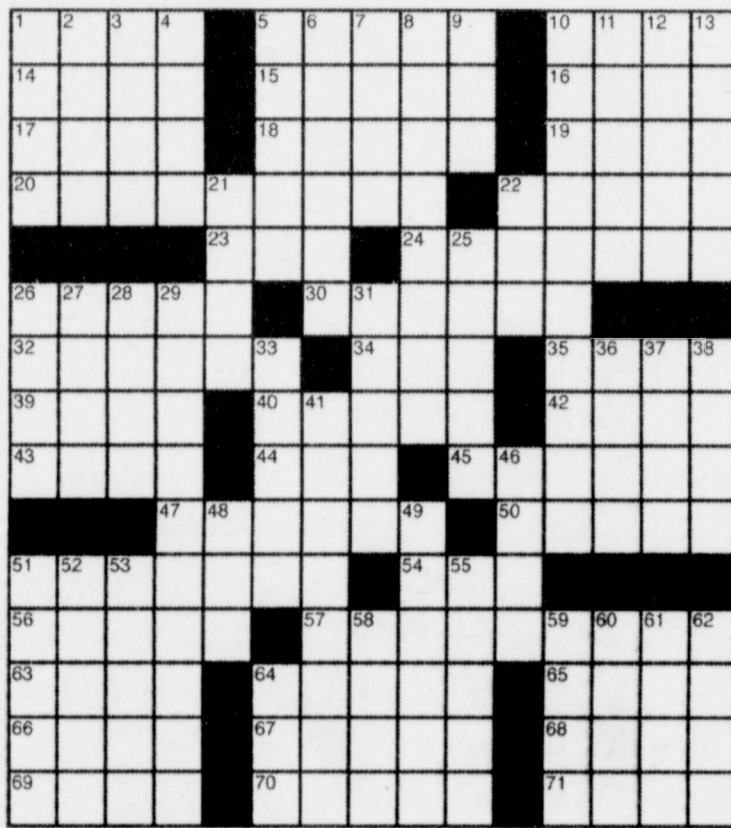
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Look at, as stars
 - 5 Artist's suffix with land or sea
 - 10 Tortoiselike
 - 14 "___ Around" (#1 Beach Boys hit)
 - 15 Breaking a bad one is good
 - 16 El ___, Tex.
 - 17 ___-a-brac
 - 18 Big kitchen appliance maker
 - 19 Eight, in Spain
 - 20 Wife of King David
 - 22 Prepare to pop the question
 - 23 Nova Scotia clock setting: Abbr.
 - 24 June 14
 - 26 Hamburger meat
 - 30 Peter who was a seven-time Oscar nominee
 - 32 Last full month of summer
 - 34 Departure's opposite: Abbr.
 - 35 Penny
 - 39 Cheater's aid
 - 40 Yellowish shade
 - 42 Asian nurse
 - 43 President before Wilson
 - 44 Australian hopper, for short
 - 45 Igloo dweller
 - 47 "To be or not to be" soliloquist
 - 50 Woman of "Troy"
 - 51 One taking flight
 - 54 That, in Tijuana
 - 56 Scent
 - 57 "Days of Our Lives," for one
 - 63 "The World According to ___"
 - 64 Ne plus ___
 - 65 Slightly
 - 66 Feminine suffix

- DOWN**
- 1 Any of the Bee Gees
 - 2 Taj Mahal site
 - 3 Time, in Mannheim
 - 4 Work on glass, say
 - 5 Former Iranian leaders
 - 6 Awoke
 - 7 Basic rhyme scheme
 - 8 "H.M.S. ___"
 - 9 Third letter after delta
 - 10 Light dessert
 - 11 Donned skates, e.g., with "up"
 - 12 Actor Milo
 - 13 Sheeplike
 - 21 Declares
 - 22 ___ Karan (pet food)
 - 25 Peter who played Mr. Moto
 - 26 Agreement
 - 27 Atmosphere
 - 28 End-of-week cry
 - 29 Noisy public speaker
 - 31 California/Nevada lake
 - 33 Singer nicknamed the Velvet Fog



Puzzle by Christina Houlihan Kelly

- 36 Oscar winner Jannings
- 37 Partner of rank and serial number
- 38 Ending with tele-
- 41 Side dish at KFC
- 46 "Scram!"
- 48 Old Turkish title
- 49 Ripper
- 51 Ran amok
- 52 Poetry Muse
- 53 Talent
- 55 Ditchdigger's tool
- 58 Director Preminger
- 59 Newspaper unit
- 60 And others, in footnotes
- 61 Completely demolish
- 62 One who raised Cain
- 64 Inits. in Navy ship names

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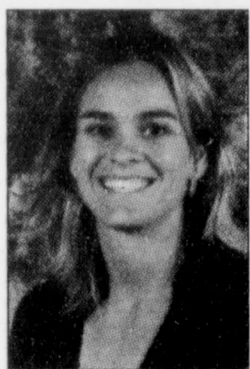
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COACH'S CORNER

This week's spotlight on ...



Women's tennis assistant coach
Paige Billingsly

Jonathan Drake
MUSTANG DAILY

Both men's and women's tennis teams are gearing up for the Big West Championships heading in opposite directions.

While the men have won nine matches in a row, the women have stumbled through five late-season losses.

The Mustang Daily caught up with Paige Billingsly, the assistant coach for Cal Poly women's tennis team, who talked about the teams' upcoming conference tournament.

Q. — So when did you first become interested in tennis?

A. — As a young kid, I played all sports, and I started tennis when I was seven.

Q. — Is there any specific goal you have for yourself in the coming years?

A. — I think my goal is to become a Division I college tennis coach, to lead a Div. I program and to be a highly competitive top 10 program.

Q. — Is there an obstacle that you have encountered this season?

A. — For me it is enjoying the moment. We worked all season to perform well at the Big West Conference Tournament, so I think we really need to focus on keeping things in perspective and just putting all we have into it. It is about enjoying the experience. That goes for me as well as the team. There is nothing else we can do but try 110 percent. You have to have a good attitude while you put everything into it.

Q. — What are you involved with when you are not on the court?

A. — I play golf with my family, and I love helping people, like working with the special olympics. We do tennis with them, or whatever they have going on.

Q. — You played Stanford earlier this week, and although you lost the match, was there anything you were able to take away from the game?

A. — We competed really well, and Stanford is the top rated team in the country. I think it is good to play against the top, and see how they compete. Stanford competed for every point, and it was interesting to see, for our team, that no matter who we are playing we go all out. They stick to their strengths, and that is a good thing to look at and to learn.

Q. — Are you currently a student as well at Cal Poly?

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Golf coach confident in teams' chances

The Mustangs are currently No. 3 among the nine men's golf squads in the Big West going into the conference tournament

Rebecca Laman
MUSTANG DAILY

The men's golf team will have a chance to test its talent against Big West golf teams in the upcoming Big West Conference Championships held April 25 to

26 at Tijeras Creek Golf Course in Rancho Santa Margarita.

Over the course of two days the team will play 54 holes: 36 holes Monday and 18 Tuesday.

Cal Poly is currently ranked third among the nine men's golf teams in the Big West.

The first place finisher in the tournament will receive an automatic spot in the NCAA National Tournament.

"I would say our chances of winning are quite good, the team is probably playing better now than in the fall," golf coach Scott Cartwright said.

Cartwright said that playing in unfamiliar venues was the strongest challenge for the team this season. In preparation for the tournament, the team has structured their shots based on the venues by focusing on very narrow

short holes for more specific shot making.

Cartwright said that a championship win is not only a chance for advancement to the NCAA Tournament, but also a deciding factor on their winner of the Big West Player of the Year based on who finishes highest in the championship.

Junior Travis Bertoni, who was

see Golf, page 7

On fire and to the Championships

The Mustangs finished up the regular season with their ninth straight win. Next up, the Big West Conference Championships

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The Cal Poly men's tennis team got their ninth win in a row defeating UC Riverside, 4-3 in a Big West conference match, Sunday in San Luis Obispo.

The Mustangs are now 14-11 overall and 1-2 in the Big West.

Cal Poly won only one of the doubles matches to lose the doubles point but managed to win

four of the six singles matches to pull out an overall victory.

In doubles action, John Nguyen and Brett Van Linge won their ninth win in a row and improved to 10-1 on the year.

In doubles action, John Nguyen and Brett Van Linge won their ninth match in a row and improved to 10-1 on the year after defeating Justin Montgomery and Norman Tam 8-1 at the No. 1 doubles match.

In single action, Matt Baca defeated Mark Contreras 6-1, 6-2 at the No. 2 singles match.

Fred DeWitte defeated Joe Cartledge 6-2, 6-4 at the No. 3 singles match, to improve to 16-9 on the year.

Van Linge suffered his first loss in 12 matches, losing to Tam 6-3,

6-4 at the No. 4 singles match.

Van Linge's streak of consecutive wins ends at 11 in a row and is now 12-5 on the year.

Next, the Mustangs will travel to Palm Springs for the Big West Conference Championships, April 21 to 23.

The Cal Poly men's tennis team also defeated UC Santa Cruz, 4-3 Saturday.

Cal Poly won all three doubles matches and split the six singles matches.

In doubles action, Nguyen and Van Linge defeated Matt Seeberg and Matt

Brunner, 8-6 at the No. 1 doubles match.

In singles action, Van Linge defeated

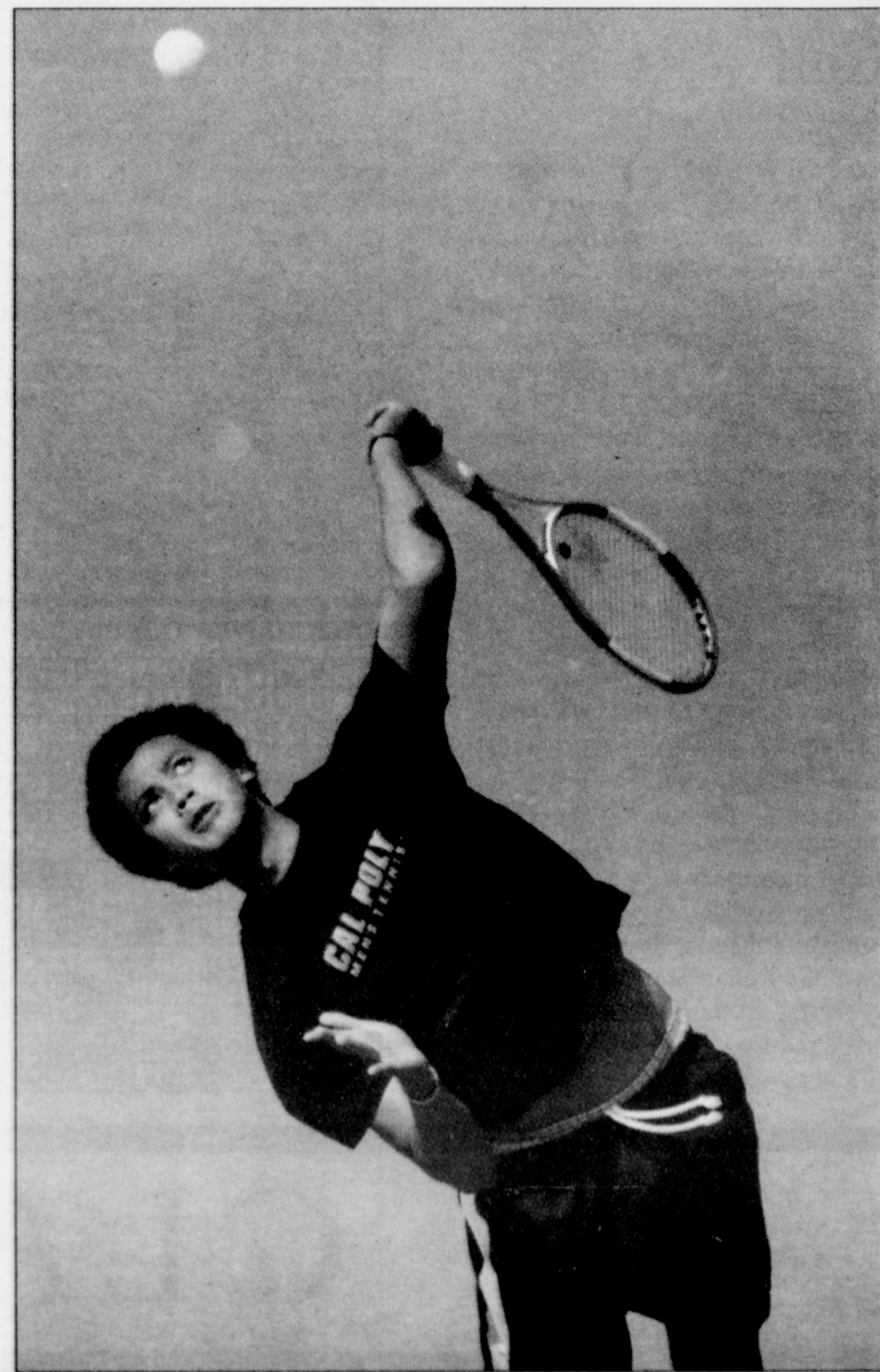
Andrew Cohen 6-4, 6-3 at the No. 4 singles match.

DeWitte defeated Shane Templeman 6-2, 7-6 at the No. 3 singles match.

Previously, the Cal Poly men's tennis team defeated Sonoma State, 7-0 to sweep past weekend and continue their winning streak.

Cal Poly won all three doubles matches and all six singles matches to cruise to a 7-0 victory, the first 7-0 victory of the year for the Mustangs.

Travis Crawford and Davey Jones teamed up to win at No. 2 doubles.



NICK HOOVER MUSTANG DAILY

The pair of John Nguyen, above, and Brett Van Linge in the doubles play has been unstoppable as of late. The pair has won nine straight.

Pacific's offense overpowers Poly pitching



NICK HOOVER MUSTANG DAILY

Safety into second base slides Pacific's Gina Carbonatto as Mustang Jackie Gehrke-Jones applies a late tag.

Jonathan Drake
MUSTANG DAILY

The Cal Poly softball team was swept in three games against the University of the Pacific last weekend.

Sunday's game against the Tigers ended 4-3 despite a heroic attempt at a final inning comeback with two runs by the Mustangs.

The Mustangs dropped the first game 7-4 and the second game 11-4 Saturday. Cal Poly pitcher Robyn Kontra took the loss in a complete game that put her record at 16-5 overall.

Pacific's starting pitcher Natalie King was replaced in the third inning after giving up two runs early in the game. Pitcher Kristen

see Softball, page 7